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SUBJECT: EXFILTRATION CASES

REF: A) USBERLIN 2002 (BEING REPEATED TO THE HAGUE AND AMSTERDAM)

B). BERLIN 1314 (NOTAL)

1. NON-JUDICIAL PUNISHMENT UNDER ARTICLE 15, UNIFORM
CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE, WAS ADMINISTERED TO ARMY
PERSONNEL JONES AND LOWRY NOVEMBER 16 AND TO AIR
FORCE NONCOMS THOMPSON AND GUILLAUME NOVEMBER 19. SGT
JONES WAS REDUCED IN GRADE FROM E-6 TO E-5, FINED \$200

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A MONTH FOR TWO MONTHS AND PLACED UNDER RESTRICTION

FOR 20 DAYS. PFC. LOWRY WAS REDUCED TO GRADE OF E-1
WITH ACTION SUSPENDED, FINED \$150, AND RESTRICTED TO 14 DAYS.
SGTS THOMPSON AND GUILLAUME WERE REACH REDUCED TO GRADE E-4, FINED
\$218 PER MONTH FOR TWO MONTHS, AND RESTRICTED TO GARRISON FOR 45 DAYS
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2. FINAL ACTION IN TWO CASES DELAYED UNTIL NOW IN
ORDER TO FOLLOW UP LEADS DEVELOPED IN COURSE OF
INVESTIGATION IMPLICATING OTHER INDIVIDUALS, U.S.
GERMAN, AND THIRD COUNTRY. IN BOTH CASES AN AMERICAN
CITIZEN, RESIDENT IN BERLIN, ACTED AS INTERMEDIARY
BETWEEN NON-GERMAN SPEAKING MEMBERS OF US COMMAND
AND GERMANS IN BERLIN WHO ARRANGED EXFILTRATION. IN
THOMPSON/GUILLAUME CASE, INTERMEDIARY WAS RICHARD
FIGUEROA, FORMER ARMY ENLISTED MAN WHO HAD SERVED IN
BERLIN AND WAS EMPLOYED AS DRIVER FOR USAF HERE IN
LOCAL-NATIONAL POSITION. FIGUEROA FLED BERLIN ON
FLIGHT TO AMSTERDAM NOV 6. EVIDENCE IN JONES/LOWRY
CASE ALSO SUGGESTS INVOLVEMENT OF FIGUEROA TOGETHER
WITH GERMAN WIFE OF FORMER ARMY ENLISTED MAN,
MERVIN RAY SMITH, A WEST BERLIN BAR OPERATOR, WHO IS
NOW IN A WEST BERLIN JAIL AWAITING TRIAL ON DRUG
CHARGE, AND WHO HAS BEEN A SUSPECTED EXFILTRATION
ORGANIZER (REF B).

3. IN ADDITION, INVESTIGATION UNCOVERED SEVERAL
NARCOTICS OFFENSES AND AN ATTEMPT BY THREE OTHER
MEMBERS OF THE US FORCES TO EXFILTRATE PERSONS FROM
EAST BERLIN LAST SPRING. AS IN TWO OCTOBER CASES
AS WELL AS MEDLEY CASE, THIS UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT
WAS MADE IN EXCHANGE FOR OFFER OF SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT
OF MONEY.

4. IN ADDITION OT ARTICLE 15, PUNISHMENT OF JONES,
LOWRY, THOMPSON AND GUILLAUME, THEIR FUTURE RESIDENCE
IN BERLIN AND EMPLOYMENT BY THE US FORCES IS BEING
PRECLUDED. GUILLAUME HAS ALSO BEEN DENIED PERMISSION
FOR DISCHARGE IN EUROPE, AND NUMBER OF PRIVILEGES
(INCLUDING DRIVER LICENSES AND VEHICLE REGISTRATION)
HAVE BEEN INDEFINITELY DENIED ALL FOUR INDIVIDUALS.
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THOMPSON AND GUILLAUME WILL BE RECOMMENDED TO RECEIVE GENERAL
DISCHARGES AND JONES AND LOWRY ARE BEING BARRED FROM RE-ENLISTMENT.
WHEN THESE ACTIONS ARE COMPLETED ALL FOUR WILL BE REMOVED
FROM BERLIN. WE ARE ALSO TAKING ACTION AGAINST OTHER
OFFENDERS UNCOVERED BY INVESTIGATION. WE PROPOSE ON
APPROPRIATE OCCASION TO INFORM SOVIET EMBASSY (RODIN
OR ROMANOVSKIY) THAT FOLLOWING US INVESTIGATION,
PUNISHMENT HAS BEEN METED OUT IN BOTH CASES FOR VIOLATION

OF US REGULATIONS.

5. THERE IS POSSIBILITY EXFILTRATION ORGANIZATION
IN WEST BERLIN HAVE BEEN PENETRATED BY GDR WITH RESULT,
AS SUGGESTED REF A, THAT SOME OR ALL OF THE THREE
RECENT EXFILTRATION INCIDENTS WERE SET UP TO ENTRAP US
MILITARY PERSONNEL. (WE NOTED INTERESTING WEST BERLIN
PRESS ARTICLE NOVEMBER 18 THAT "GDR SPY" JUST TURNED BACK IN
EAST BERLIN HAS PASSED INFORMATION TO GDR WHICH LED TO ARREST
OF SEVERAL EXFILTRATORS. POSSIBILITY OF ENTRAPMENT, OF COURSE,
IN NO WAY LESSENS CULPABILITY OF US PERSONNEL INVOLVED.

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